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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: :  
FRANCOIS VARDON : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. PCT APPLN :  
(BASED ON PCT/FR02/00482)  
FILED: HEREWITH :  
FOR: SHELF FOR SUPPORTING  
ARTICLES, PARTICULARLY IN  
REFRIGERATED INSTALLATIONS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified  
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1-17 without prejudice.

Please add new Claims 18-37 as follows:

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18. (New) A shelf, comprising at least one panel and at least one attached plastic  
structure, wherein said shelf is obtained by shrinking said at least one attached plastic  
structure after the at least one panel and the at least one attached plastic structure have been  
assembled.